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1. The names of some of the streets in Plovdiv have been changed. The main street from the railroad station to the post office is now called Ivan Vazov. The boulevard from the railroad station to the new bridge over the Maritsa River is called Tsar Osvoboditel.<sup>2</sup>
2. The Military Club is located on Ivan Vazov Street in the vicinity of the public garden and the post office.<sup>3</sup> The regional militia and the State Security headquarters are located in Gurko Street.<sup>4</sup> In the same street, opposite the State Security headquarters, is the office of the finance militia. The command of the city is in Emil Delavele Street.
3. The People's Provincial Council is in the building of the former chamber of commerce, east of the Maritsa Pharmacy and in the vicinity of the former seminary. The People's Committee for the city is in a little street which intersects Turgovska Street directly opposite the Bulgarian National Bank. The City and Provincial People's Committee (sic) is located in Ivan Vazov Street in the former German School. The committee of the DSNM (Dimitrovski Soyuz na Narodnata Mladezh: Dimitrov Union of the People's Youth) is in Avksenti Velishki Street, opposite the public garden. The fire station is in Preslav Street. The Soviet Consulate is in Veliko Turnovo Street, opposite the garden, and the Turkish Consulate is in the angle formed by Avksenti Velishki and Veliko Turnovo Streets.
4. The Polyclinic is in a little side street off Gladstone, directly opposite the Kiril Nektariev School. The College of Medicine and Agronomy is in the building formerly occupied by the French School.<sup>5</sup> The School of Physical Education is located in the former seminary.
5. A central electric power house has been constructed on Tsar Osvoboditel Boulevard in the vicinity of Bunardzhik Hill. It is called "VCA".

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Comment: The Town Plan of Plovdiv, JANIS No. 38, figure V-2 (1943) gives Ivan Vazov and Tsar Osvoboditel as the names of these streets.

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the new name of Tsar Osvoboditel is Stalin Boulevard.

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3.

Comment: The Plan na Grad Plovdiv (Sofia, Ath. Christoff, Editor) places the Military Club on Tsar Asen Street where it joins Veliko Turnovo and Ivan Vazov, on the east side of the block. The Town Plan of Plovdiv, JANIS No. 38, figure V-2 (1943) places it at the juncture of Ivan Vazov and Knyaz Aleksandur Streets.

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Comment: Another report in our files (date of information 1951) places the Plovdiv State Security headquarters on the southwest corner of General Gurko and Knyaz Aleksandur Streets, giving its coordinates as RA 487013 (as shown on the AMS M506 1:250,000 map series).

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Comment: locates part of the Plovdiv Agricultural School in a building which formerly housed the French School for Boys.

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